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**Attn: Mary Adel**

Dear Ms. Adel:

**This is a repeated request for refund of \$586.00 which was a duplicate collection of filing fees caused as a consequence of a problem with U.S. Post Office delivery problem, possibly a side effect of the December 2001 anthrax scare.** The original request, sent in February 2002, was responded to on 22<sup>nd</sup> March with an indication that it had been forwarded to you.

The facts, evidenced by multiple attachments, are that on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2001 I submitted an application with my cheque #136. That disappeared in the mails; 3 weeks later the U.S. Post Office trace of the certified letter could not find it; so I assumed it permanently lost and resubmitted, this time with my cheque #139. Each cheque was for \$586. (Images of both superposed on images of your fee transmittal forms are attached).

The duplicate submission was acknowledged on 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2002 with your number **JC826 U.S. PTO 10/039143** and my bank paid cheque #139 a couple of weeks later. Then the first submission must have arrived (seven weeks after it was mailed) and was acknowledged on 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 2002 with your number **J1002 U.S. PTO 10/047392**. (Attached is a single photocopy that shows both the 4<sup>th</sup> Jan and the 15<sup>th</sup> Jan actions of your office. My bank paid cheque #136 at the beginning of February, as I noticed just a few days ago.

Please combine your office actions for these two applications, as they are identical. And **please refund one fee of \$586. at your earliest convenience.**

Yours truly,

  
H.M. Gladney

Attachment: 5 photocopy sheets alluded to above.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

March 22, 2002

HMG CONSULTING LLC  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your refund request in the amount of \$586.00  
for patent/serial number 10047392.

Your request has been forwarded to MARY ADEL for review and processing.

To inquire about the status of your refund request, please call 703-306-3338.

Thank you,

Refund Section, Office of Finance

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13 February 2002

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Dear Sir or Madam:

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**for FY 2002**

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

(\$) **586.00**

## Complete if Known

Application Number

Filing Date

11<sup>th</sup> DEC 2001

First Named Inventor

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## FEE CALCULATION

## 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 740	201 370	Utility filing fee	370
106 330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107 510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
108 740	208 370	Reissue filing fee	
114 160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) **370**

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
30	20** = 10	X 9 = 90	
6	3** = 3	X 42 = 126	
Multiple Dependent			

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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) **216**

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

## 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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11/04/02UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

N/A

First Inventor

Henry Martin GLADNEY

Title

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 19]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 6]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.62(d))  
(for continuation/divisional)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF**  
Signed statement attested and named in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
  - ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, or in an Application Data Sheet under

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisions

Prior application information:

Ex:

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Patent Application (19 pages + 6 pages of drawings)

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PTO/SB/01 (2 pages)

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PTO/SB/05

PTO/SB/17

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